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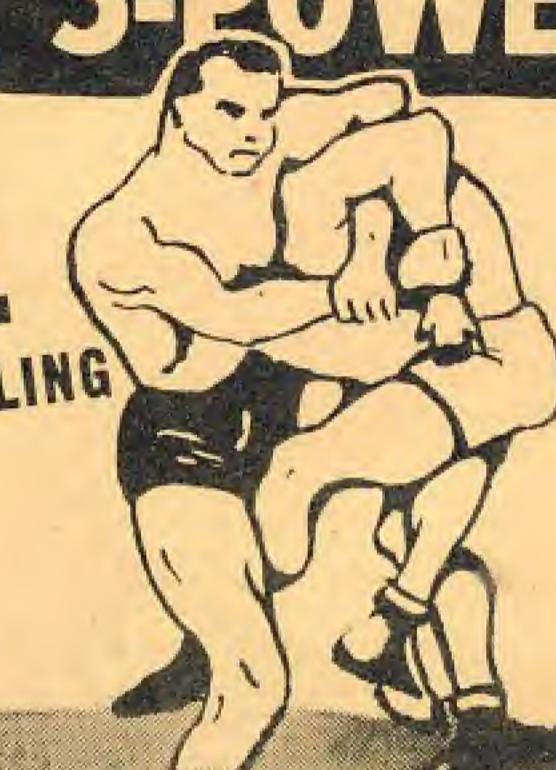
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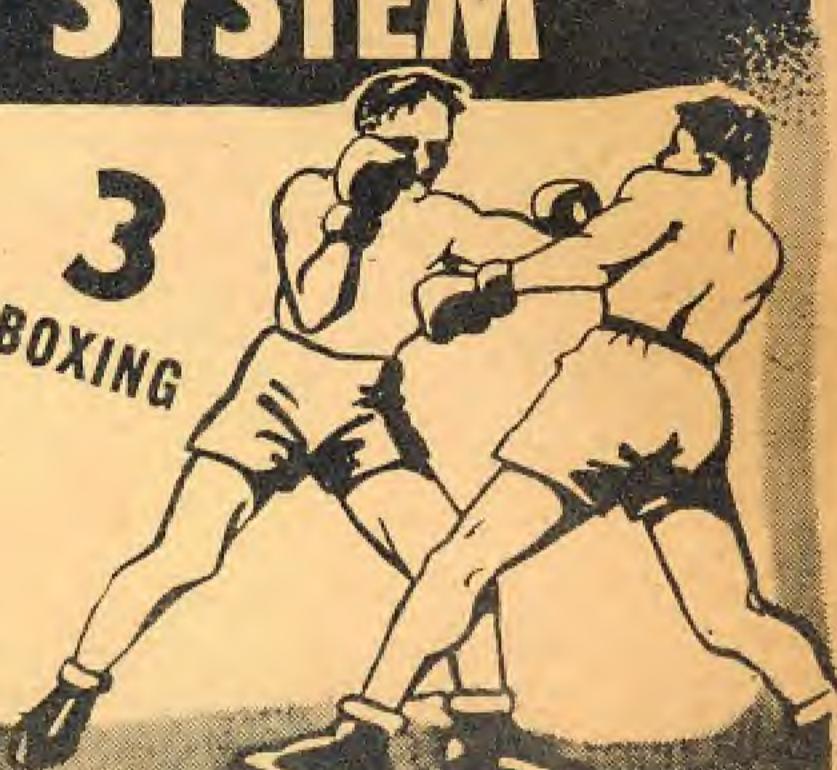
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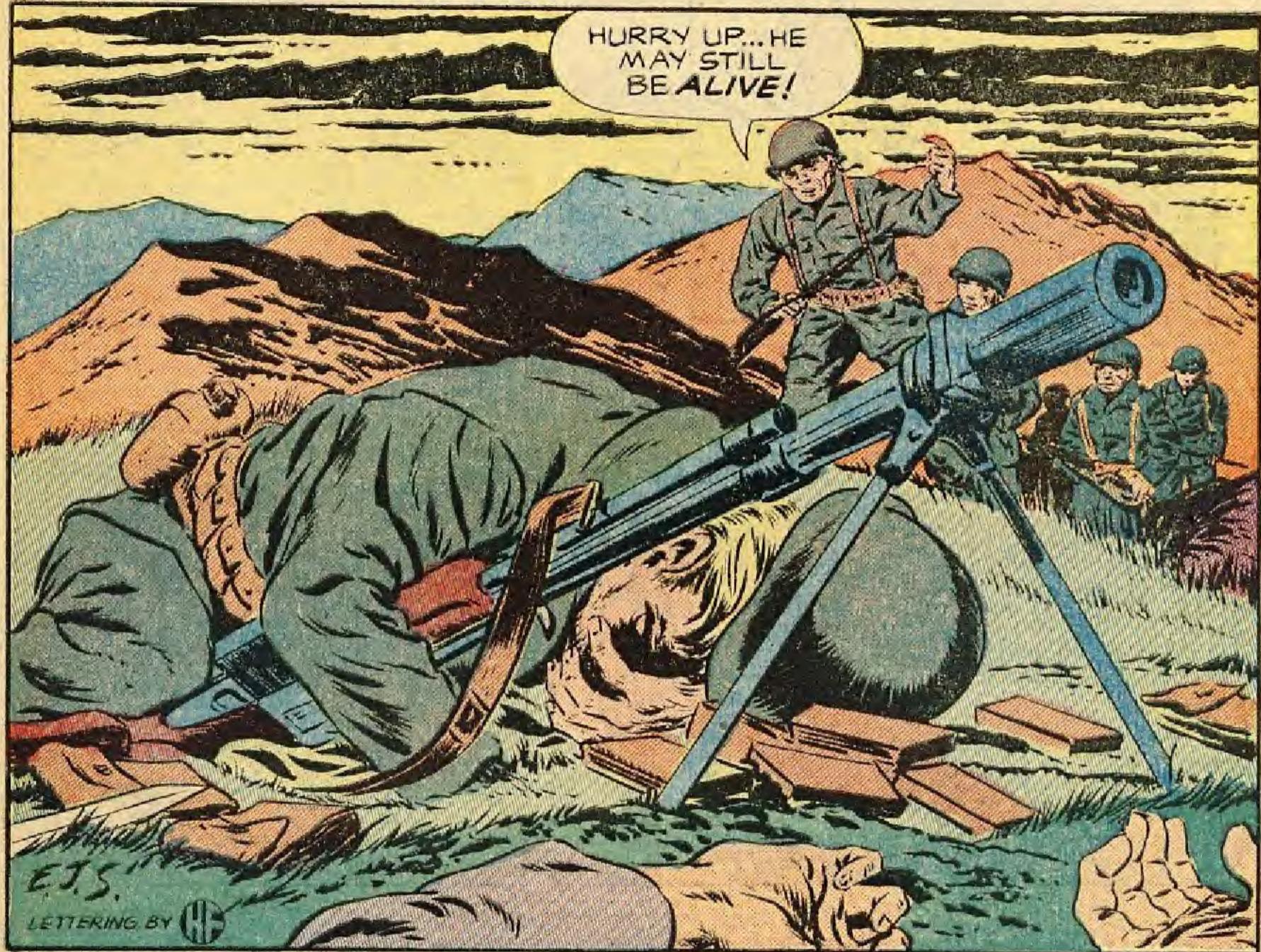
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IN THE CLEAR...YEAH! POOR PREWETT! IF I COULD ONLY RELIVE THAT DAY WHEN IT ALL BEGAN...

"I HAD IT IN FOR PREWETT, BUT GOOD! AND I WAS OUT TO GET HIM... WITH NO HOLDS BARRED!"

"OKAY, PREWETT, SO THE COURT MARTIAL FOUND YOU INNOCENT! BUT I KNOW DIFFERENT! YOU COST ME MY BEST SCOUT... 'CAUSE YOU'RE YELLA!"

"BUT SARGE, YOU GOT ME ALL WRONG! HE WAS WOUNDED...BADLY! I COULDN'T GET HIM BACK TO OUR LINES AND HE MADE ME GO ON BY MYSELF! SAID THERE WAS NO SENSE IN BOTH OF US GETTING KILLED!"

"YOU AIN'T FOOLIN' ME, PREWETT! AND I AIN'T FOOLIN', EITHER! FROM NOW ON, YOU'RE ON MY LIST... RIGHT ON TOP!"

"CAN'T YOU SEE I'M TELLING THE TRUTH? HOW CAN YOU BE SO THICK-HEADED!"

"IN SUBORDINATION, EH? THAT'LL COST YOU, PREWETT! YOU'RE ON GUARD DUTY TONIGHT...THE MIDNIGHT SHIFT!"

AND THAT WAS THE FIRST HINT THAT JIM PREWETT HAD THAT THE TREATMENT WAS ON...

BUT I PULLED GUARD LAST NIGHT, A MAN'S SUPPOSED TO GET A DAY OFF ONCE IN A WHILE!

YEAH...BUT YOU AIN'T A MAN! AND I EXPECT NO ARGUMENT WHEN I GIVE AN ORDER! NOW GET GOIN' BEFORE I REALLY GET ROUGH!

"...AND IT DIDN'T TAKE LONG FOR THE REST OF ABLE COMPANY TO PICK IT UP..."

HIYA, FELLAS! WHAT ARE YA PLAYIN'...POKER? LEMME HAVE A HAND!

HERE, PREWETT! THERE'S ONLY ONE GAME YOU'RE GONNA BE ABLE TO PLAY FROM NOW ON... AND THAT'S SOLITARE!





NOW THE PRESSURE WAS BEGINNING TO TELL ON JIM PREWETT... AFTER ALL, HOW LONG COULD A MAN TAKE IT?

WE'LL STOP HERE UNTIL OUR ORDERS COME IN! NOW DIG THOSE FOXHOLES DEEP... TWO MEN TO A HOLE! C'MON, START DIGGING!



WHO WANTS COMPANY, ANYWAY? WOULDN'T WANT ANY OF THOSE CRUMBS IN HERE WITH ME! PROBABLY KNIFE ME THE MINUTE MY BACK WAS TURNED!



WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? I THOUGHT I HAD B.O. OR SOMETHING!

IT AIN'T 'CAUSE I WANT TO, PREWETT! CAN'T TAKE A CHANCE ON ANY REDS GANGIN' UP ON YOU! ABLE COMPANY AIN'T HALF FINISHED WITH YOU YET!



A FEW HOURS LATER THE INFORMATION CAME THROUGH... INFORMATION THAT WAS LIABLE TO SEND ABLE COMPANY INTO ACTION!

YES, SIR, LIEUTENANT! BETTER GIVE ME A REPEAT ON THOSE ORDERS!

BEFORE WE COMMIT A COMPANY, I WANT YOU TO SEND OUT SOME SCOUTS TO FIND OUT WHERE THE ENEMY IS CONCENTRATED! GOT THAT?

GOTTA SEND OUT TWO SCOUTS! LEMME SEE... BROWN? NAA, HE CAN'T EVEN TELL THE RIGHT TIME! YOU? HMM... AN IDEA!

ME... SARGE?

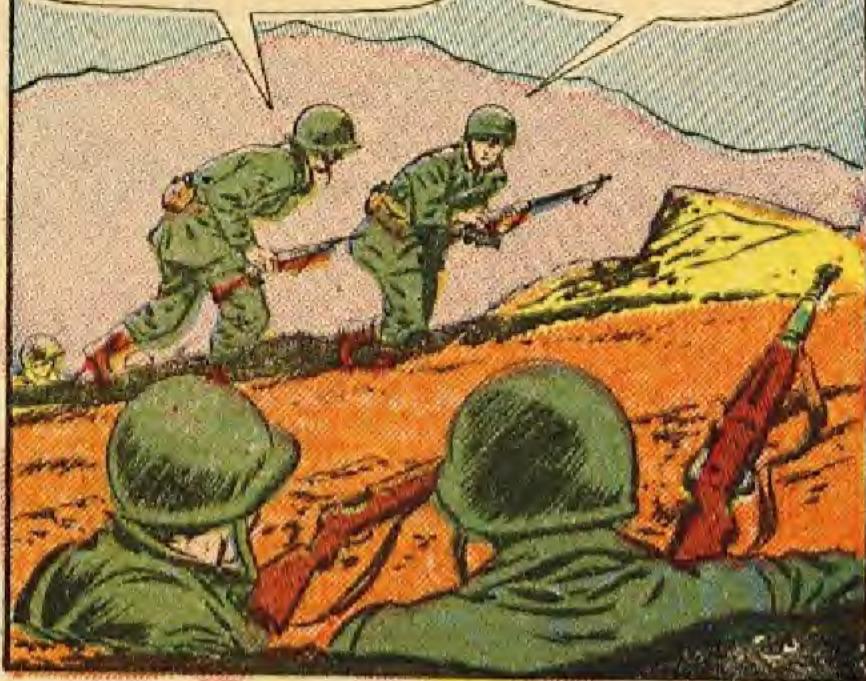


SURE...YOU...WHY NOT? ONLY THIS TIME I'M GOING WITH YOU...THERE WON'T BE ANY SLIP-UPS THAT WAY! BETTER BRING THAT EXTRA AMMO...CAN'T TELL WHAT WE'RE LIABLE TO RUN INTO

OKAY, SARGE, OKAY! I'M YOUR BOY!

LET'S NOT GET TOO FRIENDLY, PREWETT! I STILL AIN'T GOT NO USE FOR YOU!

OKAY BY ME... IT'S YOUR WAR, SARGE!



BUT IT WAS ALSO THE RED'S WAR... AND THEY KNEW HOW TO FIGHT IT!

BANG! BANG!

SARGE! I'M HIT!

BLAM! BAM! BOOM!



TAKE IT EASY, FELLA... I'LL HAVE YOU FIXED IN A MINUTE!

IT'S NO USE, SARGE... YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO MOVE ME OUTA HERE! JUST SET UP THAT GUN AND GET BACK WITH THE INFORMATION! I'LL HOLD 'EM UP AS LONG AS I CAN!



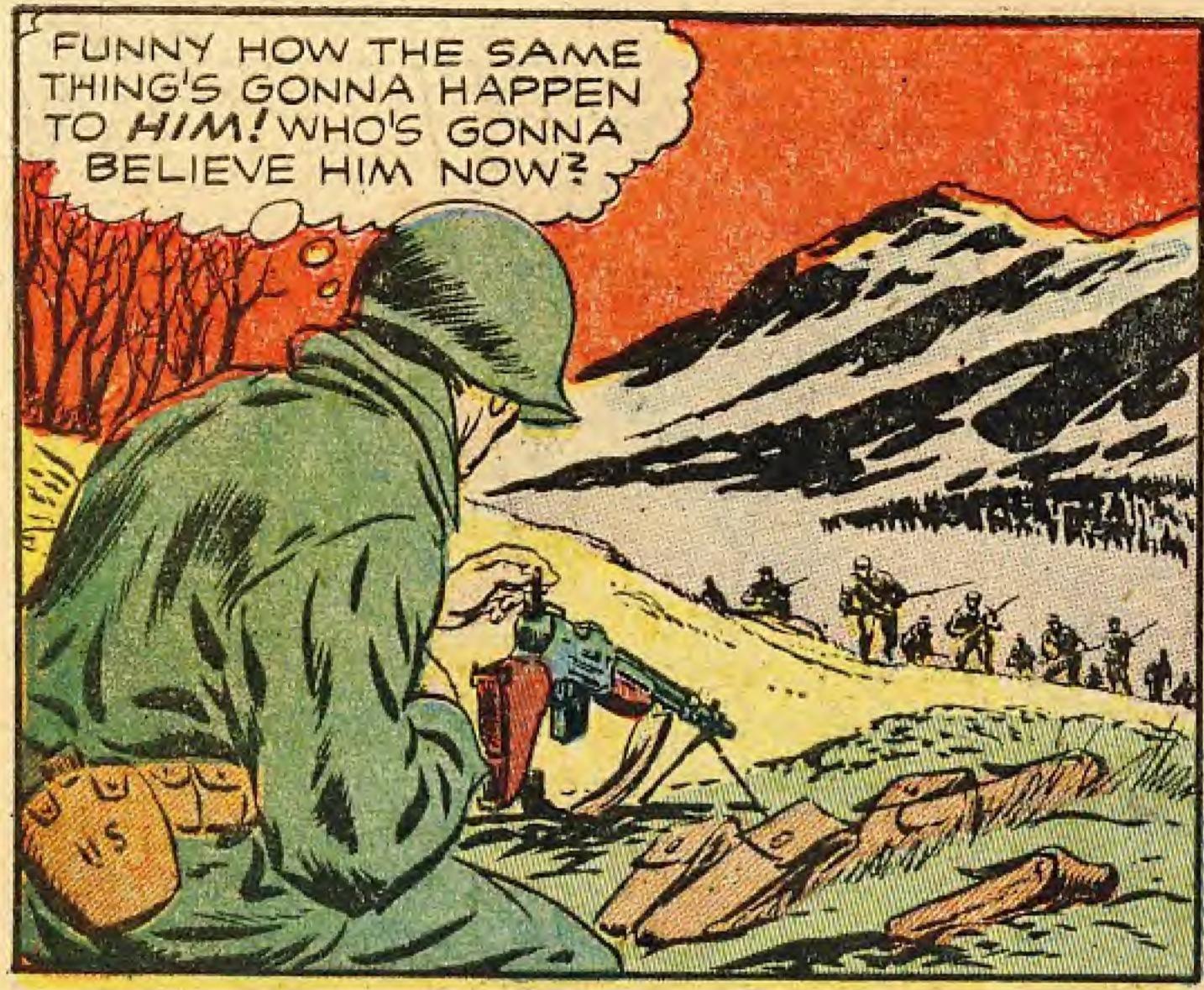
I HATE TO LEAVE YOU HERE, BOY! NOW I KNOW WHAT MUST HAVE HAPPENED THE LAST TIME

FORGET IT, SARGE... DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME... JUST GET BACK TO OUR LINES!



WELL, AT LEAST HE KNOWS I WASN'T LYING THE LAST TIME. MAYBE IT WAS A GOOD THING I TOOK THAT BULLET!





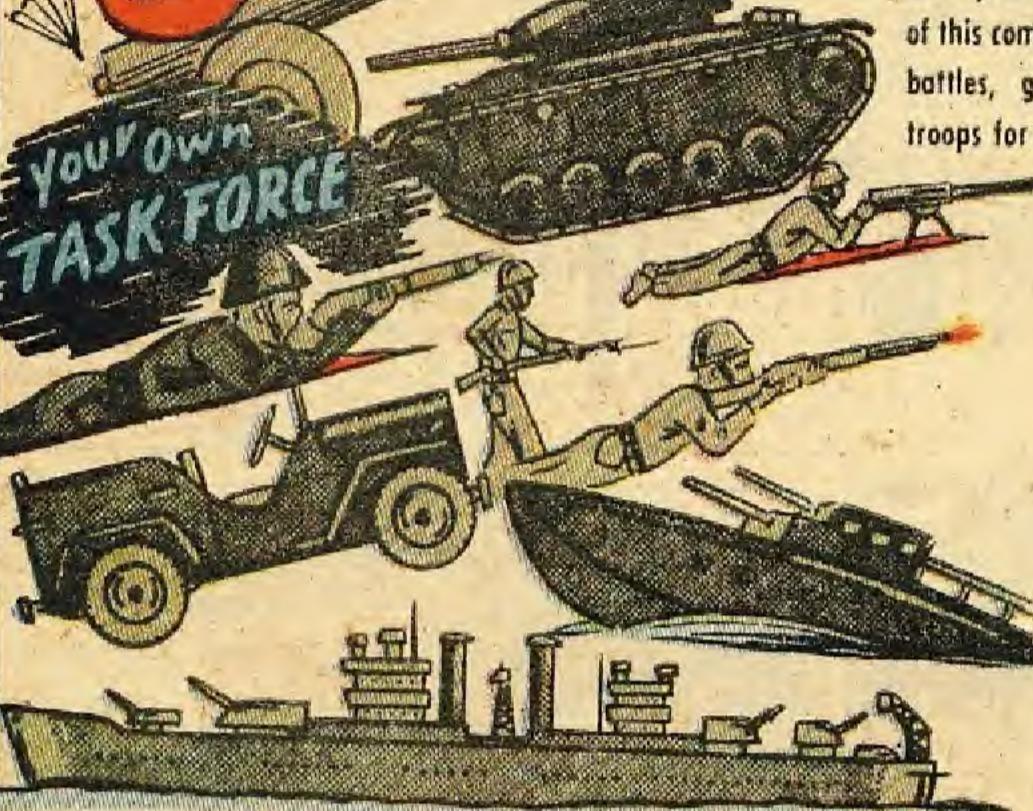
AND ONCE MORE THE MEN OF ABLE COMPANY GAVE JIM PREWETT THE TREATMENT! THEY CARRIED HIM BACK WITH HEADS BOWED AND EACH MAN IN HIS OWN WAY THOUGHT HIS THOUGHTS AND HOPED THAT SOMEHOW JIM PREWETT HEARD THEM... AND FORGAVE THEM!



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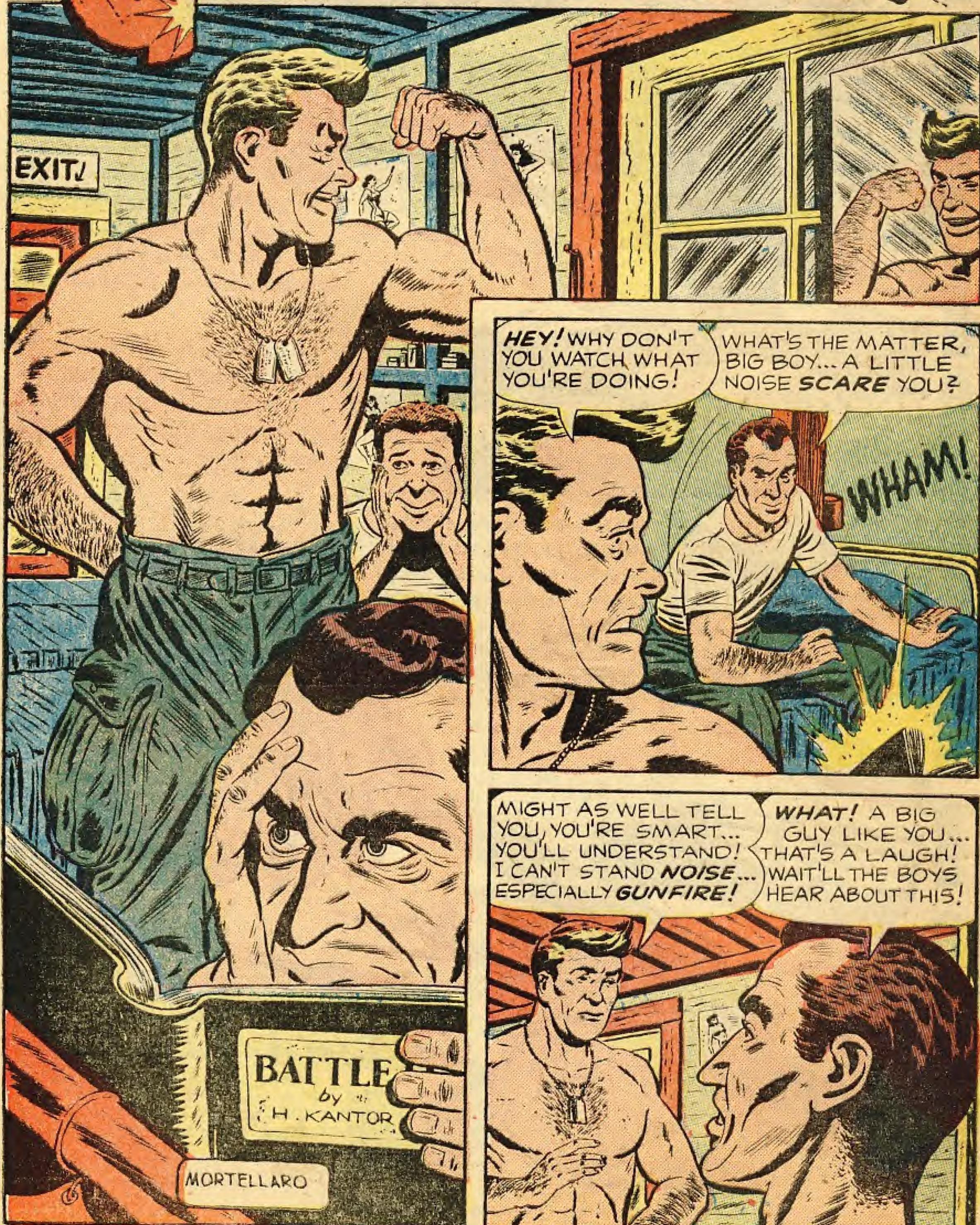
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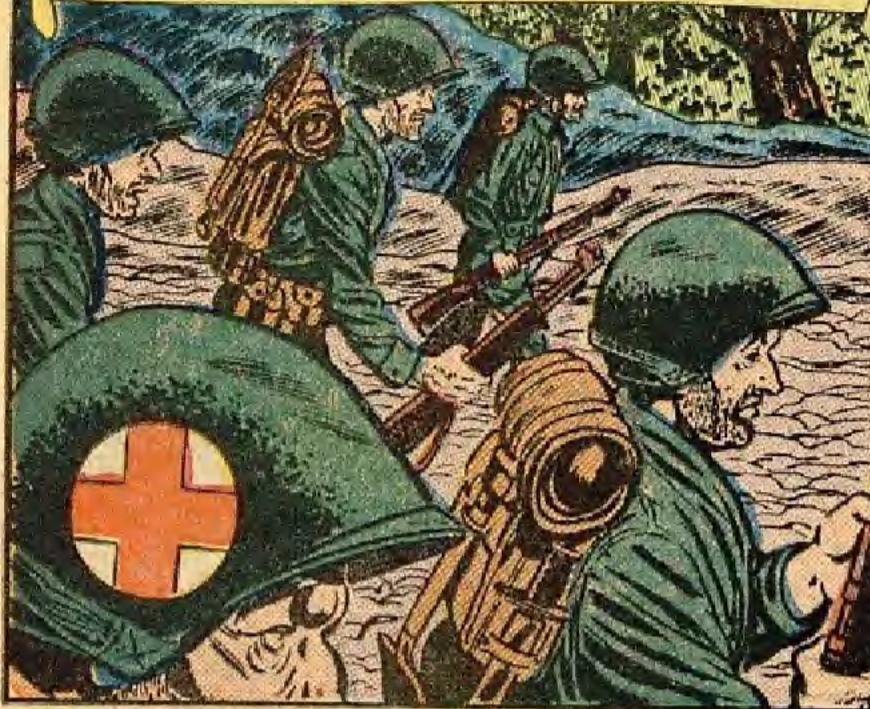
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JOE LERNER WAS STRONG...POWERFUL...A GIANT OF A MAN. BUT IN SPITE OF HIS SIZE, HE HAD ONE FAULT...HE WAS AFRAID OF...

GUNFIRE!



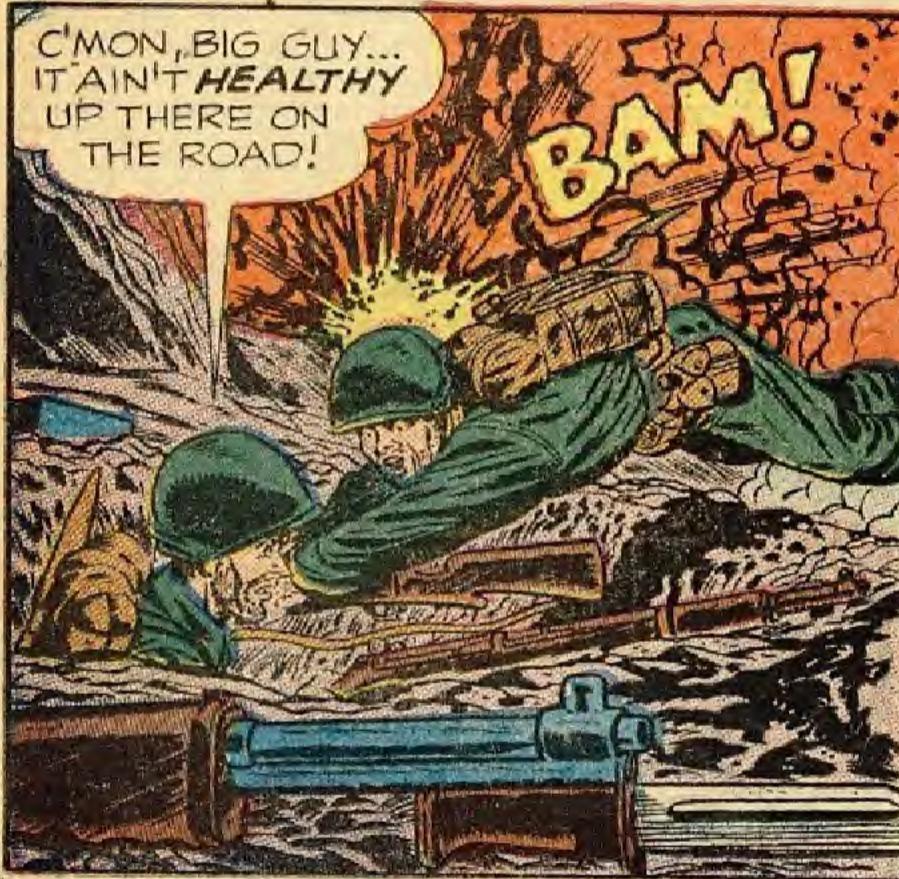
SAM TOLD THE OTHER BOYS... BUT FOR THE TIME BEING THEY HAD MORE IMPORTANT THINGS ON THEIR MINDS... THEY WERE MOVING UP INTO THE LINES...



...BUT THE ENEMY HAD OTHER IDEAS! AND THE FIRST ONE WAS TO STOP THE YANKS...



C'MON, BIG GUY... IT AIN'T HEALTHY UP THERE ON THE ROAD!



WELL, I GUESS THEY'VE QUIETED DOWN FOR A WHILE! C'MON, JOE... LET'S MOVE OUT! JOE! WHERE ARE YOU?



JOE! WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU LOOK LIKE A DROWNED RAT!

THE NOISE! I CAN'T STAND THE NOISE!



IT'S THOSE GUNS! IF ONLY I WEREN'T AFRAID OF THOSE GUNS! I CAN'T EVEN SHOOT ONE WITHOUT JUMPING OUT OF MY SKIN!

SOME SOLDIER YOU ARE! MAYBE I'D BETTER STICK CLOSE TO YOU... YOU MIGHT NEED SOME HELP!



HTHE WAR ABATED FOR AWHILE... AT LEAST LONG ENOUGH FOR THE OTHER FELLAS TO START POKING FUN AT JOE.

PUT 'EM UP, JOE! TAKE THIS... HA! HA! HA!

NO... DON'T! AWW... CUT IT OUT, WILL YA!



BUT JOE HAD FOUND A FRIEND... SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTOOD HIS MANIA... LITTLE SAM LEVIN...

CUT IT OUT, JACK... CAN'T YOU SEE THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH HIM?

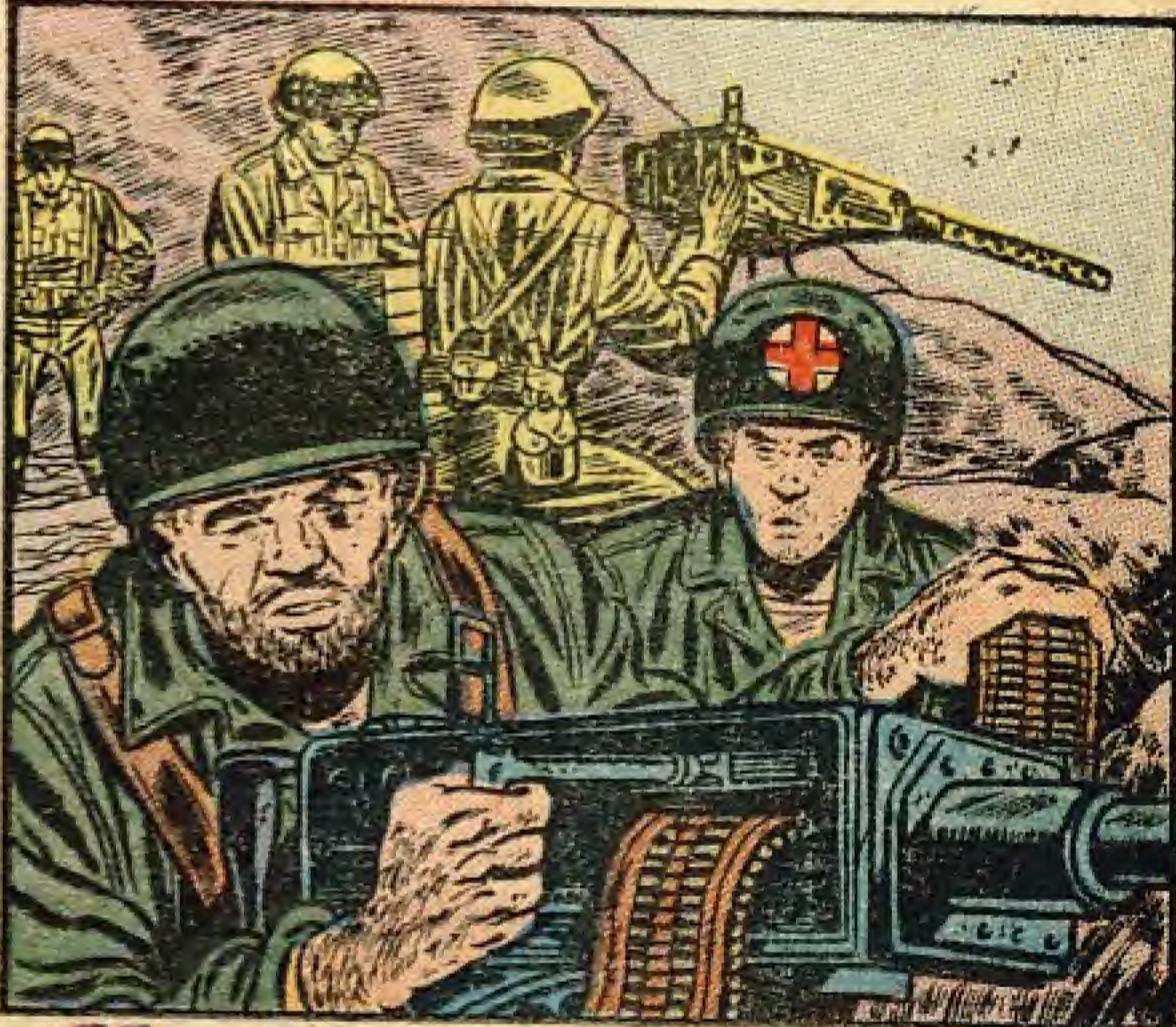
GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT, SAM! SORRY, BIG BOY... LOST MY HEAD, I GUESS!



ALL BRAWN AND NO BRAINS! AWW, THERE'S NO SENSE IN MY EVEN CARRYING THIS STUFF... MIGHT AS WELL UNLOAD IT!



JOE'S TROUBLE WAS FORGOTTEN AS THE AMERICANS GOT DOWN TO SERIOUS BUSINESS... WAITING FOR THE ATTACK.



...YOU GUYS GOTTA KEEP THIS RIDGE NO MATTER WHAT... WE AIN'T GONNA LET THOSE LOUSY GOOKS KNOCK US OFF HERE!



HOURS PASSED AND STILL THE ENEMY BIDED THEIR TIME. BUT SUDDENLY---

THEY'RE OPENING UP! HIT THE DIRT!



BROTHER, HAVE **YOU** GOT IT **BAD!** THESE ARE ONLY **FIRECRACKERS!** DON'T TELL ME THE BIG MAN IS AFRAID OF A FEW ITTY-BITTY FIRE-CRACKERS!



SHOULDA FIGURED YOU'D THINK UP SOMETHING LIKE **THAT!** CAN'T YOU SEE WHAT YOU'RE DOING TO HIM? WHY, FOR TWO CENTS...

KNOCK IT OFF, LITTLE MAN... I HAPPEN TO THINK IT'S FUNNY! TOO BAD IF YOU DON'T!



ARR-GH!



NO, SAM COULDN'T SEE IT... AS A MATTER OF FACT, HE COULDN'T SEE ANYTHING... 'CAUSE SAM LEVIN WAS **DEAD!**

MY LITTLE PAL... **THEY KILLED HIM!** I KILLED HIM... AS IF I HAD DONE IT WITH MY BARE HANDS! SOMEBODY COVER ME... I GOTTA TRY AND EVEN THE SCORE!



THREE WAS ONLY ONE WAY FOR JOE TO EVEN THE SCORE... WITH HIS **BRUTE STRENGTH!**



NOW WE GOT 'EM, SAM... **NOW WE GOT 'EM!**

BOOM!



JOE HAD 'EM, ALL RIGHT... ON THE RUN! THIS WAS A WAY OF FIGHTING A WAR THAT THE COMMIES DIDN'T UNDERSTAND! WHAT WERE THE AMERICANS USING, A NEW SECRET WEAPON?



THE GI'S WERE QUICK TO CAPITALIZE ON THE CONFUSION IN THE ENEMY RANKS...



THIS IS THE WAY TO USE A RIFLE... MUCH QUIETER! STOP YELLING, YOU GOOKS... DON'T YOU KNOW I CAN'T STAND NOISE?



THE REDS WERE NO MATCH FOR THE YANKS... AT LEAST NOT FOR THE INFURIATED JOE!



WHAT GOT INTO YOU, JOE... I NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT... YOU WERE A ONE MAN ARMY!

THEY SHOULDN'TA KILLED LITTLE SAM... THAT GOT ME MAD! AND WHEN I GET MAD, I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M DOING! BESIDES, YOU DON'T NEED GUNS TO FIGHT A WAR... NOT WHEN YOU FIGHT IT MY WAY!



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HITTING THE PENS

The Atlantic bases at Brest, at Lorient, at Saint-Nazaire, at La Pallice, and at Bordeaux were considered to be one of the greatest prizes of the German conquest of France. It was from here that the Nazis could launch their powerful submarine wolfpacks against Allied shipping. And launch them they did. Sinkings of ships which had dropped off since March of 1942, rose to a terrifying peak in November. These bases had to be stopped.

The RAF had not been idle. In 1941 they had dropped almost 400 tons of bombs on Lorient causing great damage. But they didn't go far enough, and by 1942 the Germans had rebuilt the pens making them almost completely bombproof. It was up to the 8th AAF to prove they weren't.

From 20,000 the bomber crews looked down on what appeared to be cardboard boxes. While from the ground, the pens resembled enormous railroad tunnels. They were located on dry land with ramps leading down to the water's edge. Huge cranes lifted the U-boats out of the water and deposited them into one of twelve pens. There they were protected from aerial assault by twelve feet of concrete on top and by eight feet on the sides. They were ready for the Flying Fortresses.

Around the pens themselves were the service buildings necessary to keep the wolfpacks working. Workshops,

transformers, power stations, offices, barracks, torpedo sheds and other installations presented an ideal target to the "Heavies."

The eventual plan of the 8th was to combine three distinct phases of attack . . . smashing the U-boats in the pens, killing them at sea, and getting them in their turn-around ports. In 1942, the last phase was impossible, since the 8th AAF had neither the experience nor the planes to plan missions that could penetrate to the very shipyards of Germany. For the time we would have to be content with knocking out the pens at the Atlantic ports.

Bad weather in late '42 hampered the Yanks as they tried to take the offensive. But finally in late October they managed to carry out their first mission against Lorient . . . and bad weather almost cancelled that one. Even so, three of the four attacking groups were forced to turn back. One did get through. Finding a hole in the overcast they dropped some 5,000 feet before laying their bombs on the target . . . at the cost of three Fortresses. But they did get through . . . and the offensive was started!

An attack on the pens at Brest followed this initial raid to Lorient. Results were so uncertain, that at the next mission to Saint-Nazaire the heavies tried a new technique. Discarding the comparative safety of 20,000 feet, the

bombers came into the target area as low as 7,000. Practically every ship was hit by anti-aircraft fire. Three Forts were destroyed by the accurate Flak. At that point, Saint-Nazaire took on the name of "Flak City." And as the number of missions against the pen-cities increased, so did the number of flak guns the German had at the targets. It was estimated that at Saint-Nazaire alone, the Nazis had moved in over 100 anti-aircraft guns! A waist gunner on one B-17 put it this way, "You always get good trouble over Saint-Nazaire; they got postgraduates at them flak guns!"

Eight more missions got through in the month of November . . . hardly a great number, but other things beside weather were against the Americans. This was a new test for the bombers, as well as the men, and many new modifications had to be made; more fire power forward, better oxygen systems, bigger ammo boxes, better disposal of expended cartridge cases, better organization of the combat crews, rearrangement of the waist guns, newer and better safety equipment . . . over a hundred modifications were required on the new B-17s that were coming from the States before they could be thrown into combat. All of which took time.

But there was still a bigger problem to be faced . . . bombing accuracy. There was plenty of proof that the Forts were hitting their targets. But the Yanks still weren't satisfied. They discovered that a single bomb, or a few bombs, hitting the target were not causing as much damage as was expected. What was needed was a bigger concentration of bombs on target . . . this was the problem that had to be mastered.

The first indication that there was a

solution came on January 3rd when Saint-Nazaire was attacked for the sixth time by sixty-eight Fortress and Liberators. For the first time in months visibility over the target area was unlimited. An unusually long bombing run was ordered to insure precision bombing. The run was made into a 115 mile an hour gale which reduced the bomber's speed by more than half. Flying straight and level for almost ten minutes, they were, as one pilot put it, "Like fish in a barrel."

And the flak gunners couldn't miss. They put up a box barrage at the point of bomb release, and the heavies had to plow through it. Result: three bombers were lost to anti-aircraft fire. Four more bombers were lost to enemy fighters which were picking on the cripples. But the Americans had guns too, and fourteen enemy aircraft were shot from the skies that day.

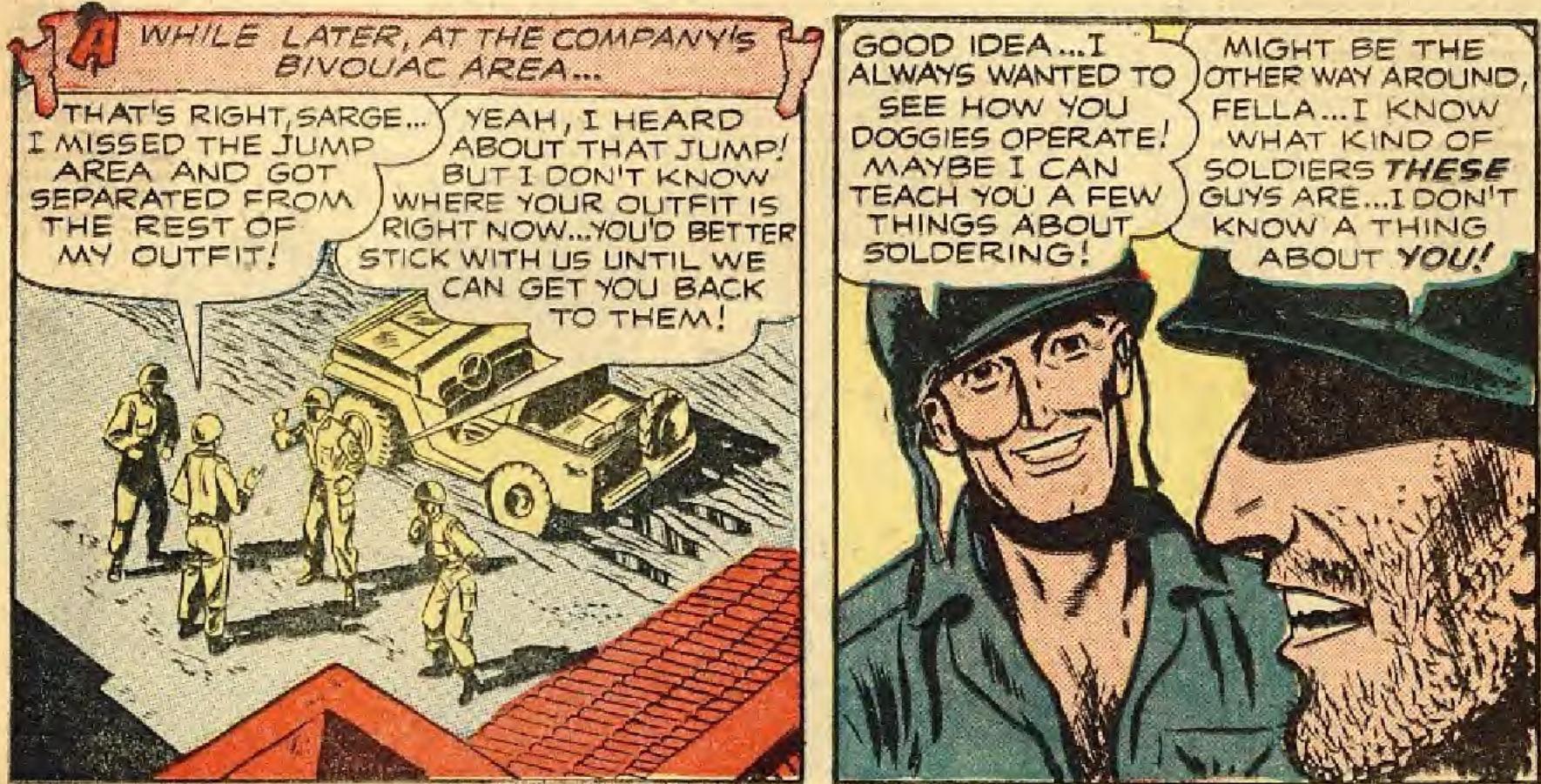
But the bombing was sensational. For the first time, the bombardiers followed the practice of dropping their bombs at the instant the lead bombardier dropped his. This was the first step in a new technique of bombing that produced a concentration of high explosives on a target, the likes of which had never been seen . . . or realized. Not at Rotterdam or at Coventry . . . or anywhere else.

There were far too many individual acts of heroism on that mission to single any out and record them here. True, many men lost their lives that January 3rd, but at the end of the month the announcement was made that Allied shipping losses had been cut in half for that period. The U-boat offensive was not dead, but its back was broken. These men had helped to break it.

IT DOESN'T TAKE MUCH TO RUIN MORALE IN COMBAT! SOME TIMES THE ENEMY WILL DO IT FOR YOU WITH ARTILLERY OR AIRCRAFT... OTHER TIMES YOUR OWN MEN WILL DO IT TO THEMSELVES... WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED WITH...

THE PARATROOPER BOOTS!





HEY, KELLY, WHAT'S WRONG WITH THOSE GUYS? I NEVER SAW 'EM LIKE THAT!

AW, IT'S THAT PARATROOPER! HE COMES IN HERE AND SHOOTS OFF HIS MOUTH ABOUT HIS FANCY BOOTS AND EQUIPMENT AND THE FELLAS FIGURE HE'S RIGHT... NOBODY CARES ABOUT THE POOR DOGGIE... JUST GIVE HIM ALL THE DIRTY DETAILS AND LET HIM DIE... **YOU'D** FEEL LET DOWN, TOO!

YA MEAN BECAUSE HE'S GOT FANCY BOOTS THEY'RE DOWN IN THE MOUTH?

SURE... NOBODY GIVES A DAMN ABOUT **US**!



...AND THAT'S WHY I GOTTA HAVE BOOTS FOR MY COMPANY, LIEUTENANT... THAT PARATROOPER RUINED THEIR MORALE WITH HIS CRUMMY TALK, AND IF THOSE BOOTS MEAN SO MUCH TO MY BOYS, THEY'RE GONNA GET 'EM!

I UNDERSTAND YOUR PROBLEM, SERGEANT... BUT THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO ABOUT IT RIGHT NOW!



AND SO THE COMPANY MOVED UP... READY FOR ACTION!

ALRIGHT, YOU GUYS!
SPREAD OUT...
AND KEEP LOW!



A WHILE LATER THE YANKS WERE DUG IN... AND READY...

KELLY AND FERGIE... BETTER SET UP THAT MACHINE GUN DOWN THERE! NO SENSE IN LEAVING THAT FLANK OPEN!

OKAY, SARGE! COVER US, THOUGH!



THOUGHT YOU GUYS MIGHT NEED SOME HELP... WAS CONSIDERED AN EXPERT WITH A MACHINE GUN BY THE REST OF MY TROOPERS!

YEAH? WELL, ME AND FERGIE CAN TAKE CARE OF THIS GUN BY OURSELVES!



HEY, SARGE... YEAH... HOW ABOUT ME GOIN' OUT AND GETTIN' IT!
TANK HEADED THIS WAY!

NO... YOU STAY HERE WITH ME... THE BOYS'LL KNOW WHAT TO DO!



LEMMEE GET IT, SARGE! THAT GUN'S GOT US PINNED DOWN HERE!

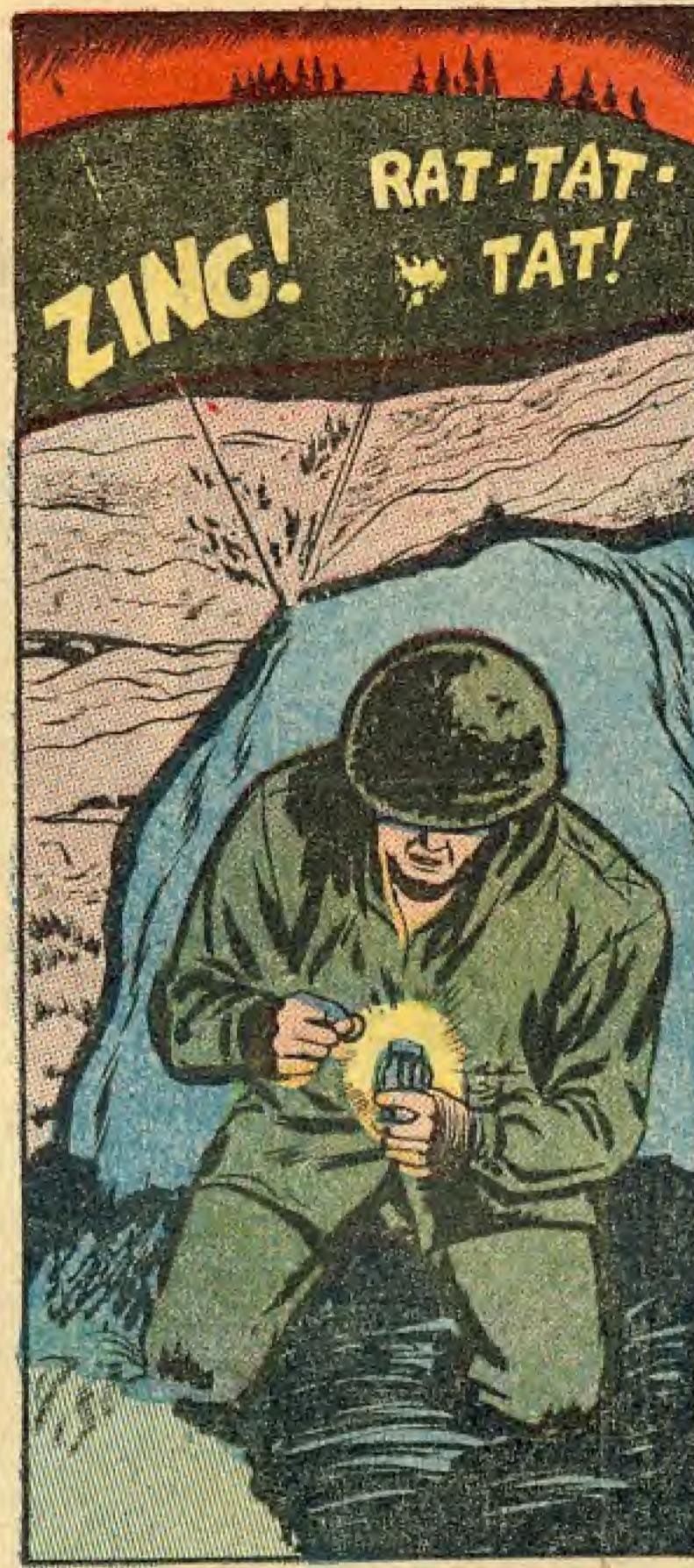
THE BOYS'LL GET IT... **STAY PUT!** NO SENSE IN EITHER OF US GETTING KILLED!



WE DON'T FIGHT A WAR **THIS** WAY IN THE **PARATROOPS**... SITTING ON OUR TAILS! I'M GOIN' OUT AND GET THAT GUN!

YOU DO AND IT'S AGAINST MY ORDERS!





AND SO THE COMPANY
MOVED OUT... LEAVING BE-
HIND THEM THE PROOF THAT
EQUIPMENT ALONE DOES NOT
MAKE THE SOLDIER... AND
WHAT THE DOGGIE LACKS IN
FANCY TRAPPINGS, HE MAKES
UP IN... COMRADESHIP!

THE END.

A MAN MUST HAVE FRIENDS. HE CANNOT LIVE BY HIMSELF...ESPECIALLY IN THE ARMY! THERE, THEY BECOME MORE THAN FRIENDS...THEY BECOME COMRADES... THEY BECOME SOMEONE YOU MIGHT LAY YOUR LIFE DOWN FOR...THEY BECOME...

BUDDIES!

I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF YOUR LIP, LANDON! FROM NOW ON YOU DO WHAT I TELL YOU OR I'M GONNA MAKE IT TOUGH FOR YOU...UNDERSTAND?

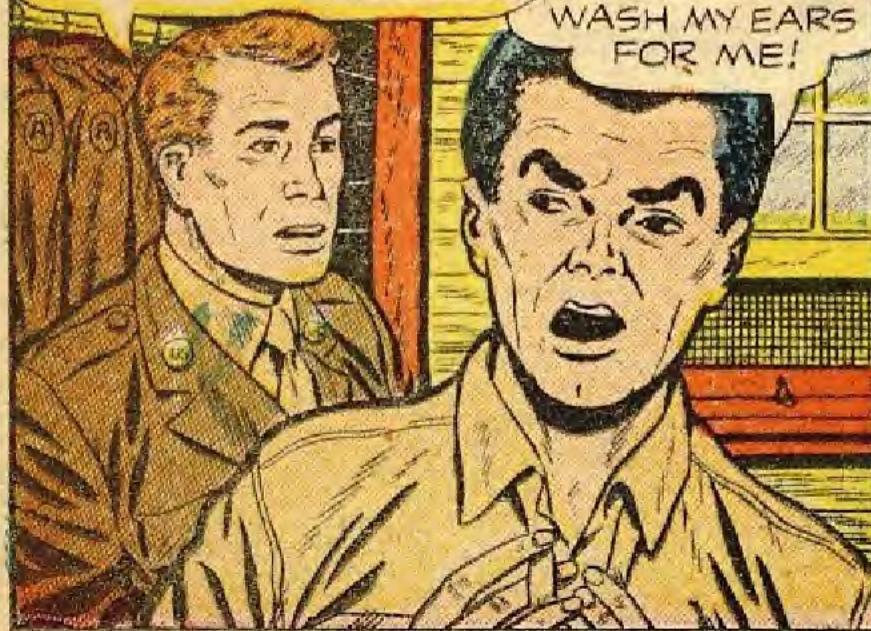
I UNDERSTAND, LLOYD...BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I GOTTA DO IT--- AND YOU CAN'T MAKE ME!



LOOK, RAY, I DON'T WANT TO BUTT IN, BUT WHY DON'T YOU PLAY BALL WITH THE SARGE...HE'S ONLY TELLING YOU THINGS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD!

THEN DON'T BUTT IN! I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF! I DON'T NEED A DUMB SERGEANT TO WASH MY EARS FOR ME!

SO HE RESTRICTED ME, SO WHAT? I'LL DO WHAT I WANT...DON'T NEED NOBODY TO TELL ME WHEN I'M WELL OFF!



THE NEXT DAY...

SOLDIER, YOU'LL NEVER LEARN! HOW MANY TIMES DO YOU HAVE TO BE TOLD HOW TO MAKE A **BED**? AND LOOK AT YOUR **SHOES**... DON'T YOU EVER **SHINE** THEM? WELL, I'M GONNA RESTRICT THIS WHOLE BARRACKS... MAYBE YOUR BUDDIES WILL **SHOW** YOU!



LEMME AT HIM, SARGE!

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO TAKE CARE OF A GUY LIKE HIM! THAT'S THE ONLY THING HE'LL UNDERSTAND! **BUDDY**...HUH... DON'T MAKE ME **LAUGH**!

FIGHTING'LL GET YOU NO PLACE... ONLY TROUBLE! WE'LL TAKE CARE OF LANDON IN OUR OWN WAY!



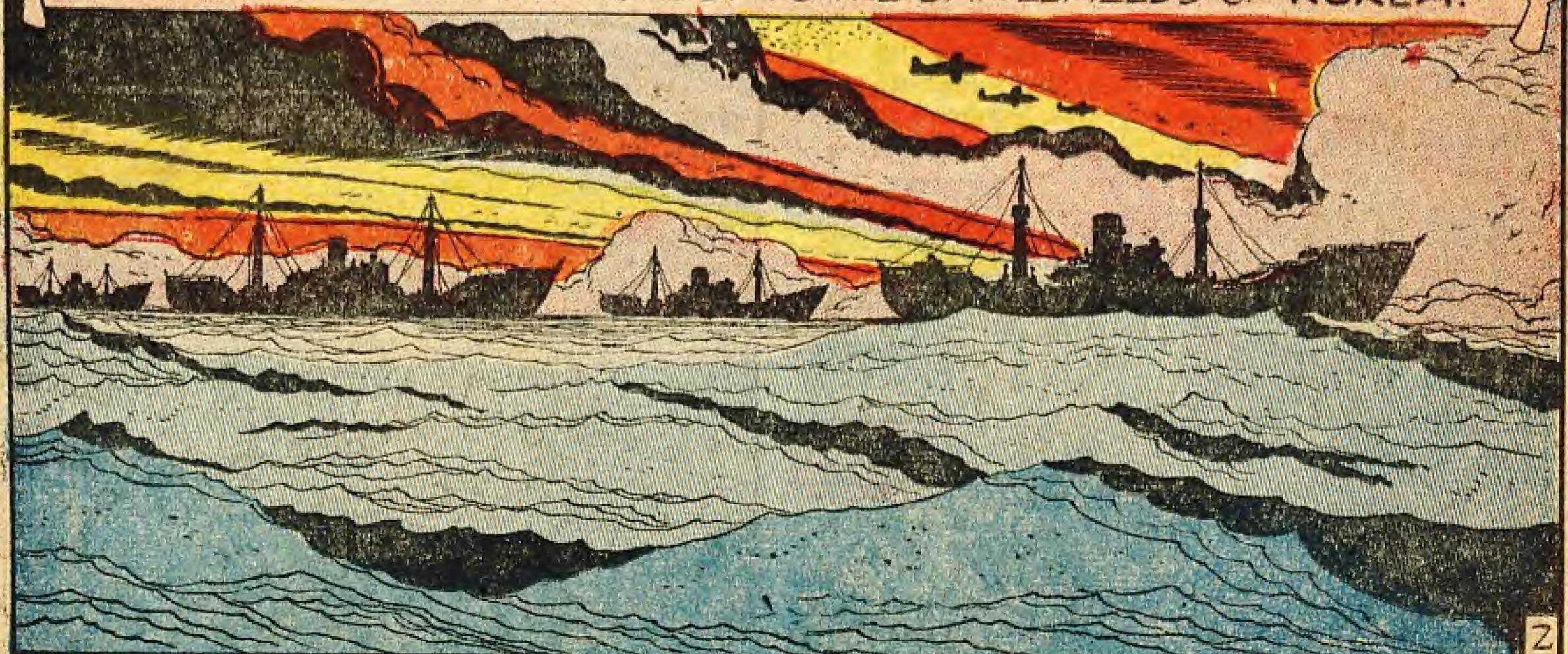
IF I KNEW HOW TO GET YOU OUTTA THIS OUTFIT, I WOULD! WE DON'T NEED GUYS LIKE **YOU** AROUND... GUYS WHO ONLY THINK OF THEMSELVES! FROM NOW ON KEEP OUT OF OUR WAY, LANDON... WE AIN'T GOT NO **USE** FOR YOU!



SURE...I'LL KEEP OUTTA YOUR WAY! YOU GUYS DON'T UNDERSTAND ME, ANYWAY! JUST 'CAUSE I ONLY DO WHAT I WANT MAKES ME A LOUSE...BUT **Nobody** ORDERS **ME** AROUND!



LANDON CONTINUED TO PLAY HIS LONE WOLF ROLE, AND CONTINUED TO STIR UP HATE AMONG HIS BUDDIES! AND IT WAS NO DIFFERENT WHEN THEY FINISHED THEIR TRAINING AND HEADED WEST... WEST TO THE BATTLEFIELDS OF KOREA!



YOU'VE DONE WHAT YOU WANTED UP TO NOW, LANDON, BUT HERE'S WHERE IT **STOPS!** WE'RE MOVING UP TO THE FRONT LINES NOW, WHERE EVERY MAN HAS TO WATCH OUT FOR HIS BUDDY! NOW DON'T DO ANYTHING STUPID... IT MIGHT COST US SOME GOOD MEN!



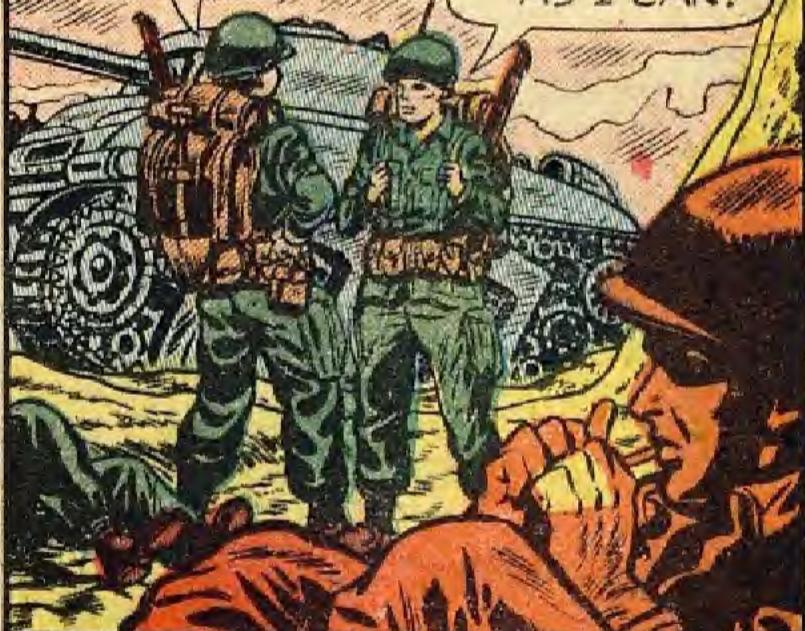
MY BUDDIES! WHAT A LAUGH THAT IS! I GOT THIS FAR WITHOUT ASKING ADVICE, AND I'LL GO ON THIS WAY... DOING WHAT I WANT, NOT WHAT SOME **STUPID** SERGEANT SAYS!



THIS IS AS FAR AS WE GO NOW! WE NEED SOME INFORMATION ON WHAT'S UP AHEAD! I WANT THREE MEN TO GO OUT AND SCOUT AROUND... ANY VOLUNTEERS?



WHAT'S THE MATTER, I DON'T VOLUN-LANDON... AFRAID TO TEER FOR ANYTHING! VOLUNTEER FOR A THOSE THREE LITTLE SCOUTING GUYS CAN DO THE DUTY?



WHAT HAPPENED? WHERE'S COOK AND MILLER?

THE GOOKS PULLED AN AMBUSH ON US! COOK AND MILLER ARE DEAD! THERE MUST BE A WHOLE DIVISION BACK IN THOSE HILLS... AND ALL ARMED TO THE TEETH! I THINK MAYBE THEY'RE MOVING UP, TOO!



IF HE'S RIGHT AND THEY MOVE UP A WHOLE DIVISION, THEY CAN BREAK THROUGH OUR LINES RIGHT HERE! WE'RE SPREAD TOO THIN TO STOP THAT MANY!

YEAH, I KNOW! WE'LL JUST HAVE TO TAKE OUR CHANCES, I GUESS!



CHANCES...NUTS!
WHAT DO YOU
THINK WE GOT
ARTILLERY FOR...
THE MOVIES?

DON'T TELL ME THE LONE
WOLF IS GOING TO DO SOME-
THING FOR A CHANGE!
WELL, DON'T GET LOST
OUT THERE, 'CAUSE I
AIN'T SENDING NOBODY
OUT TO **FIND** YOU!

LANDON SET UP HIS OBSERVATION POST
AND WAITED...BUT NOT FOR LONG!

HERE THEY COME! VINCE
WAS RIGHT...MUST BE
A WHOLE **DIVISION**!



HELLO, RED LEADER...
THIS IS **RED ONE**! WE
NEED SOME MAIL OUT
HERE! DELIVER IT TO
COORDINATES MARKED
YZ-B3! OVER!

ROGER, RED ONE!
WE'LL SEND IT
OUT **SPECIAL
DELIVERY!**
OUT!

AND THE ARTILLERY BARRAGE WAS LAID
DOWN...RIGHT ON THE BUTTON!



GOOD SHOOTING...BUT
IT AIN'T ENOUGH!



STILL NEED SOME MORE, RED
LEADER! MOVE YOUR COOR-
DINATE BACK TO B2...AND
POUR IT ON, WILL YA?

SURE
THING,
FELLA!

NICE AIMING,
RED LEADER!
LOOKS LIKE A
BULL'S-EYE
THIS TIME!



ONE MORE BARRAGE AND WE'VE GOT THEM! THIS OUGHTA SLOW 'EM UP FOR A WHILE!



HEY, RED LEADER...THIS IS **RED ONE** AGAIN! GIVE US A SPRAYING AT **B1** NOW!



BOOM!



HE STOPPED 'EM...**COLD!** NOW I KNOW WHAT HE MEANT BY "DOING WHAT HE WANTED TO DO"! TOO BAD I NEVER UNDERSTOOD HIM BEFORE...WOULD HAVE MADE ONE SWELL BUDDY!



THE END.

FUNNY HOW A NICKNAME STICKS.
THE BLACK CAT ALWAYS GETS
CALLED "SNOWBALL" AND THE
FAT GUY IS ALWAYS CALLED
"SKINNY!" WELL, THIS IS THE
STORY OF A NICKNAME....
ABOUT A GUY WHO NEVER
OPENED HIS MOUTH...AND
THEREFORE WAS CALLED...

CHATTERBOX!



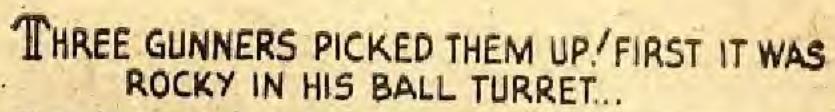
MORTELLARO



IT STARTED ON A MISSION OVER HAMBURG...



THEN CHARLEY IN THE WAIST DREW A BEAD
ON THEM!



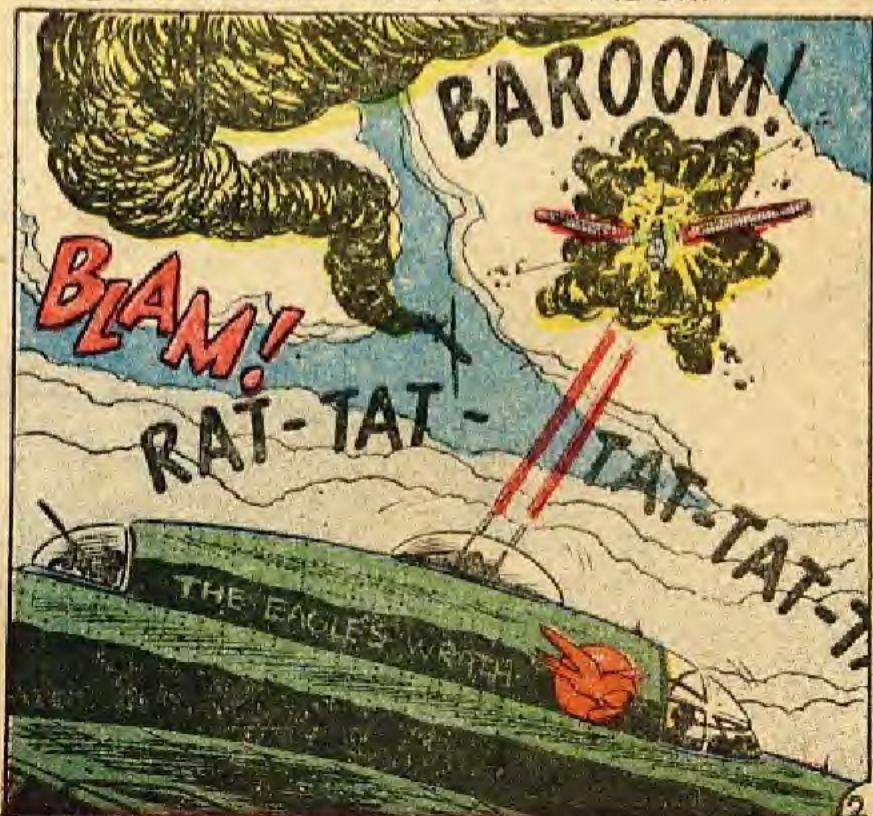
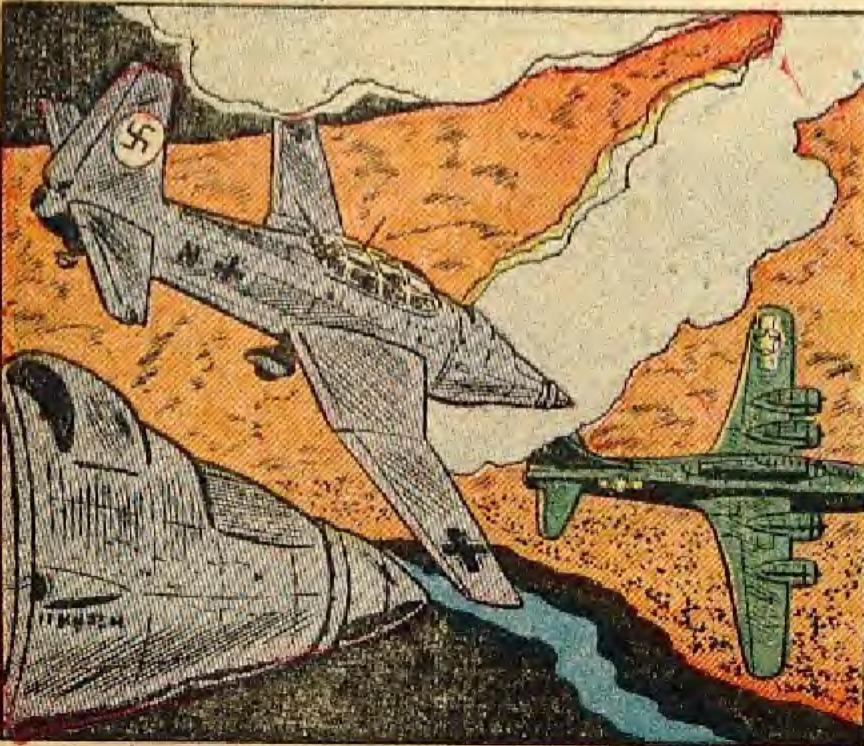
**AND FINALLY JOE SMITH, OR CHATTERBOX, IN HIS
TOP TURRET GOT THEM IN HIS SIGHTS!**



**THE JERRY'S BIDED THEIR TIME, AND THEN
PULLED IN FOR ONE SWEEP! OUR FIFTIES
WERE READY, THOUGH...**



...AND BLASTED THEM OUT OF THE SKY!





AND AT INTERROGATION IT WAS HOT SHOT CHARLEY WHO TOOK CREDIT FOR THE TWO DESTROYED... NOTHING SHY ABOUT HIM!



AND WHO DO YOU THINK VERIFIED IT? THAT'S RIGHT, CHATTERBOX!



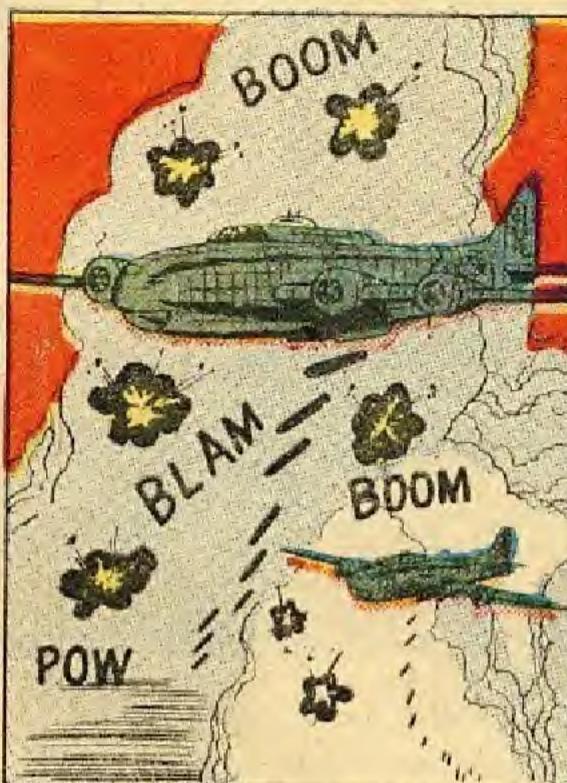
BACK ON THE RESCUE BOAT...

SOUNDS LIKE AN ALL RIGHT CHAP!

YOU DON'T KNOW THE HALF OF IT, BUSTER... LET ME TELL YOU WHAT HE DID ON THIS LAST MISSION!



IT WAS OVER LEIGE! WE HAD JUST GOTTEN OUR BOMBS AWAY!



...AND WERE TURNING AWAY FROM THE TARGET WHEN A BURST OF FLAK HIT OUR NUMBER 3 ENGINE!



WE WERE DOING OKAY THOUGH, LIMPING ALONG BEHIND THE REST OF THE FORMATION, WHEN ANOTHER BURST CAUGHT THE RADIO ROOM!



BUT CHATTERBOX GOT OUT THE FIRST AID KIT AND PATCHED UP THE RADIO OPERATOR...

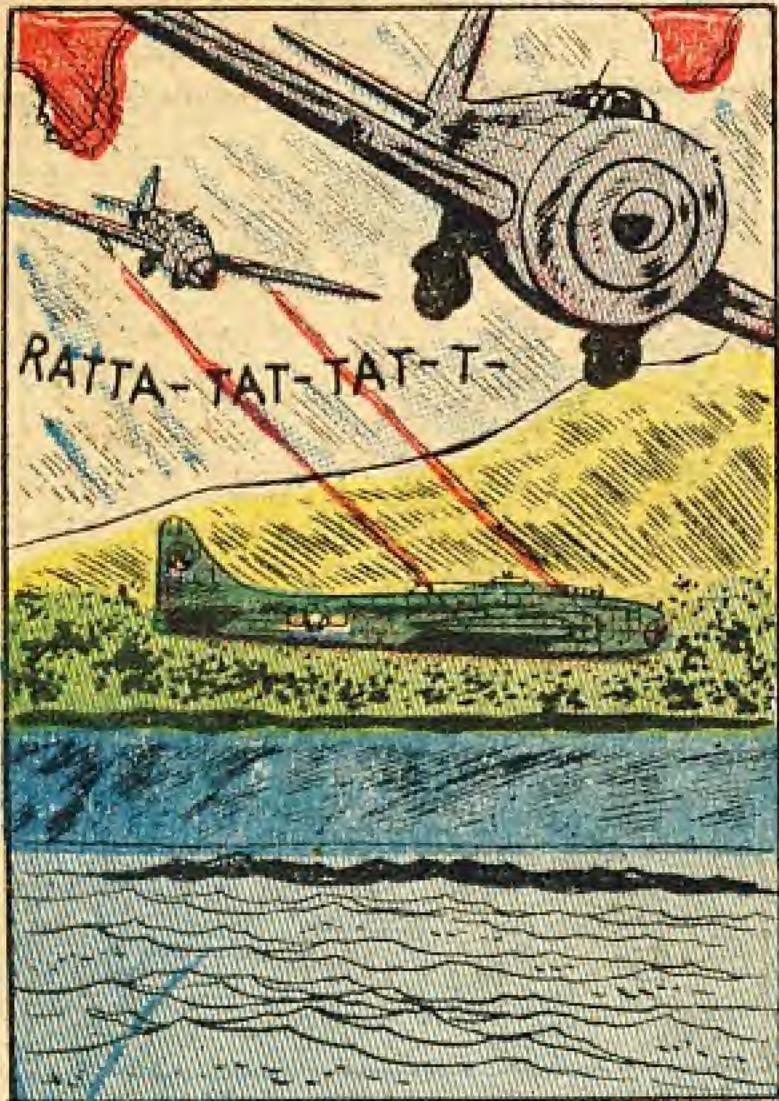


THEN HE GOT OUT HIS TAPE AND SPIT AND PUT PUT THE HYDRAULIC LINES BACK TOGETHER! LET'S SEE, THAT MADE HIM A FIRST AID MAN, THEN AN ENGINEER, AND ALWAYS A GUNNER! YOU CAN SEE, HE WAS A PRETTY BUSY GUY!

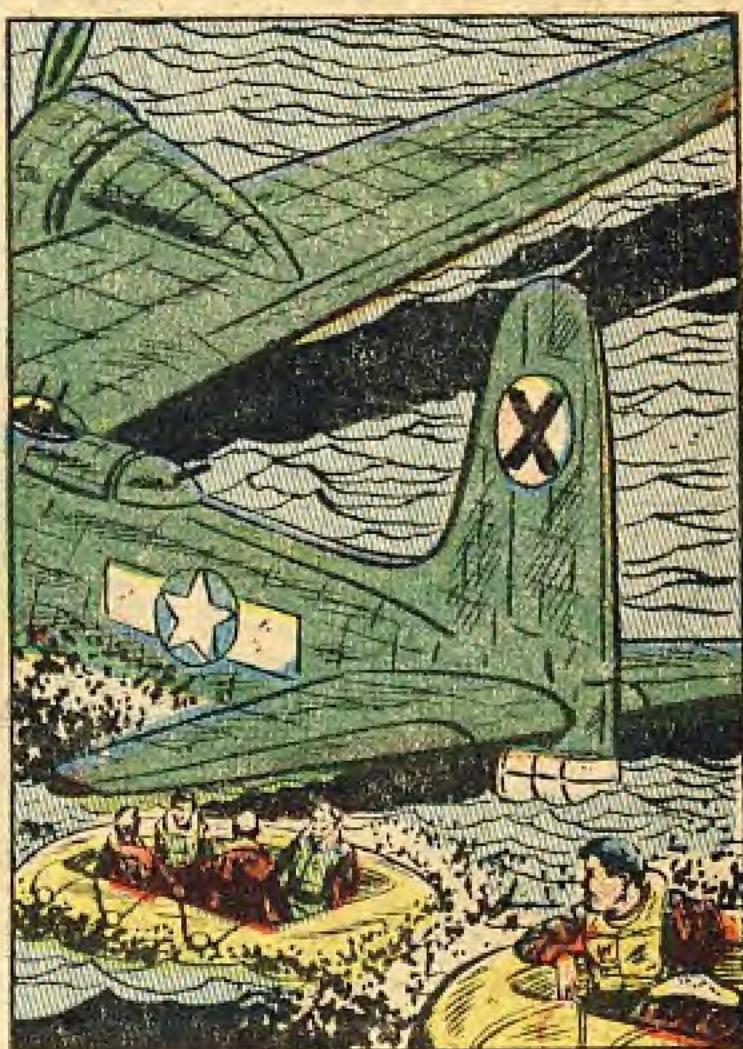


BUT WE WERE STILL DOING OKAY! A LITTLE THE WORSE FOR WEAR, BUT STILL FLYING... THEN TWO JERRY'S SPOTTED US OVER THE BAY OF BISCAYNE! (4)

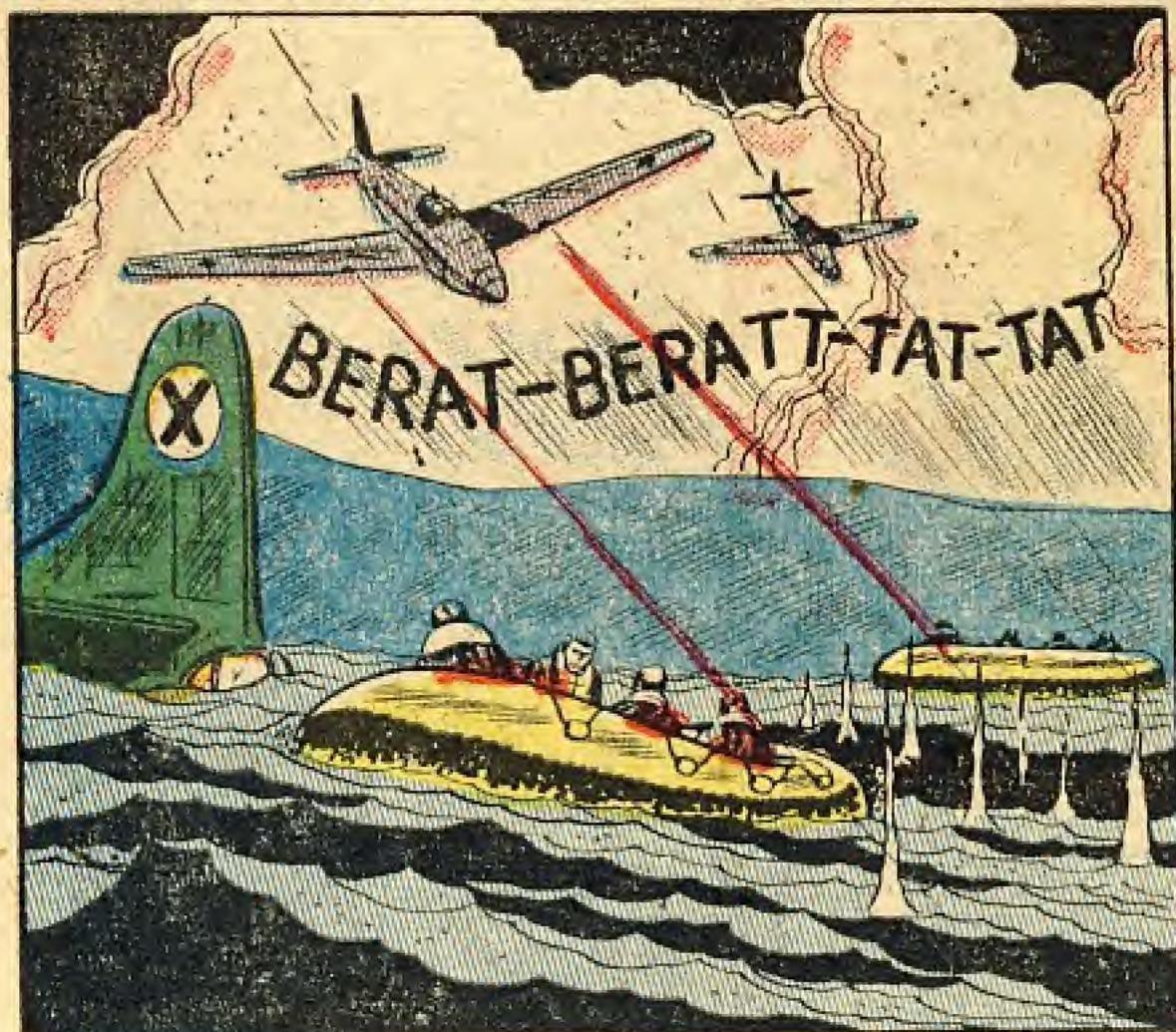
WE WERE LIKE CLAY PIGEONS...
AND THE GERMANS KNEW IT!



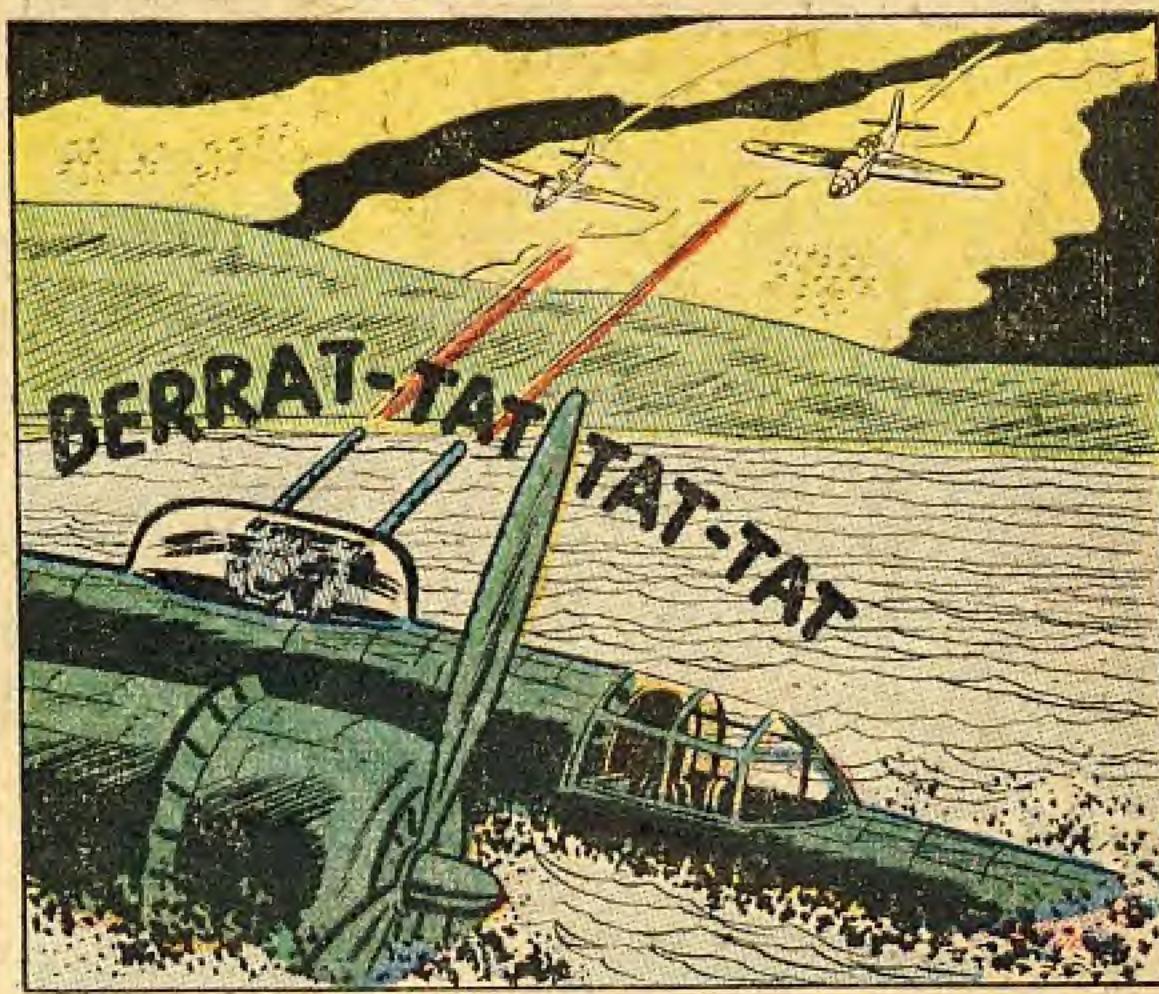
THERE WAS NOTHING TO THE
DITCHING... GOOD THING WE HAD
PRACTISED IT THE DAY BEFORE!



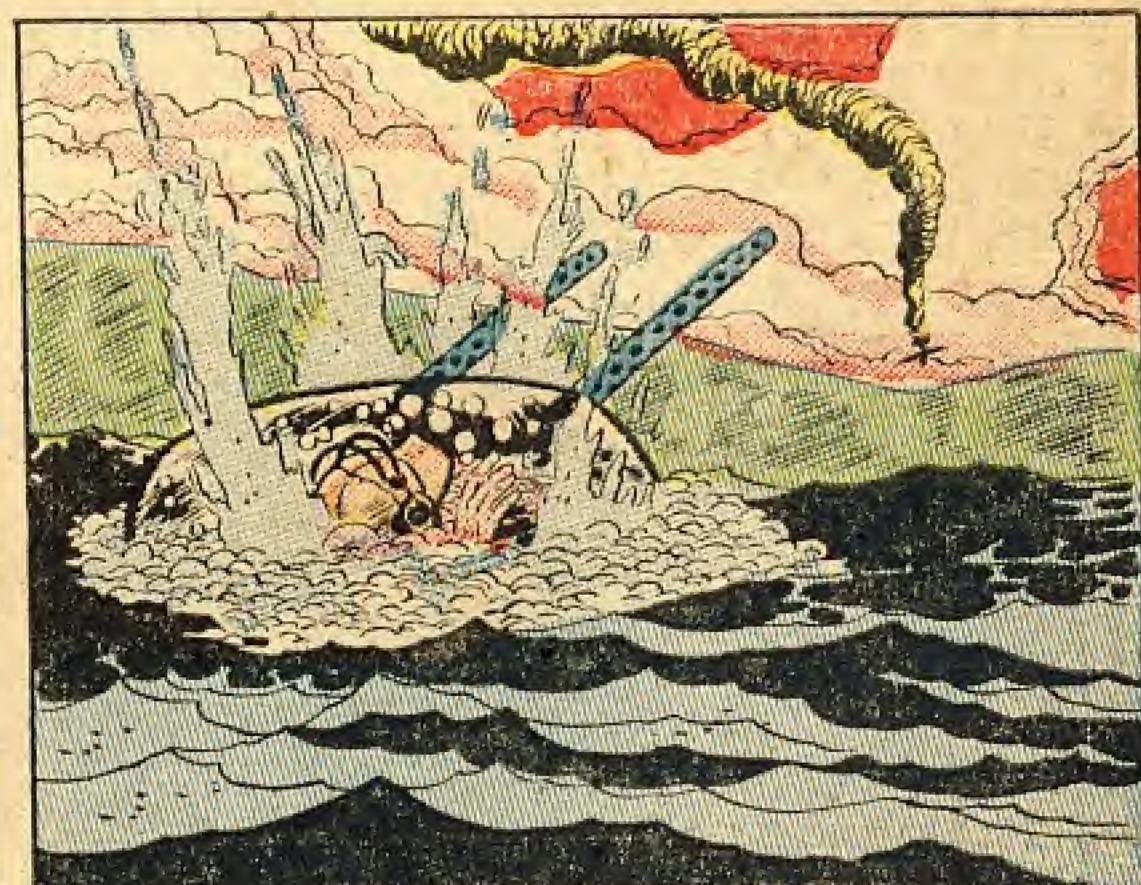
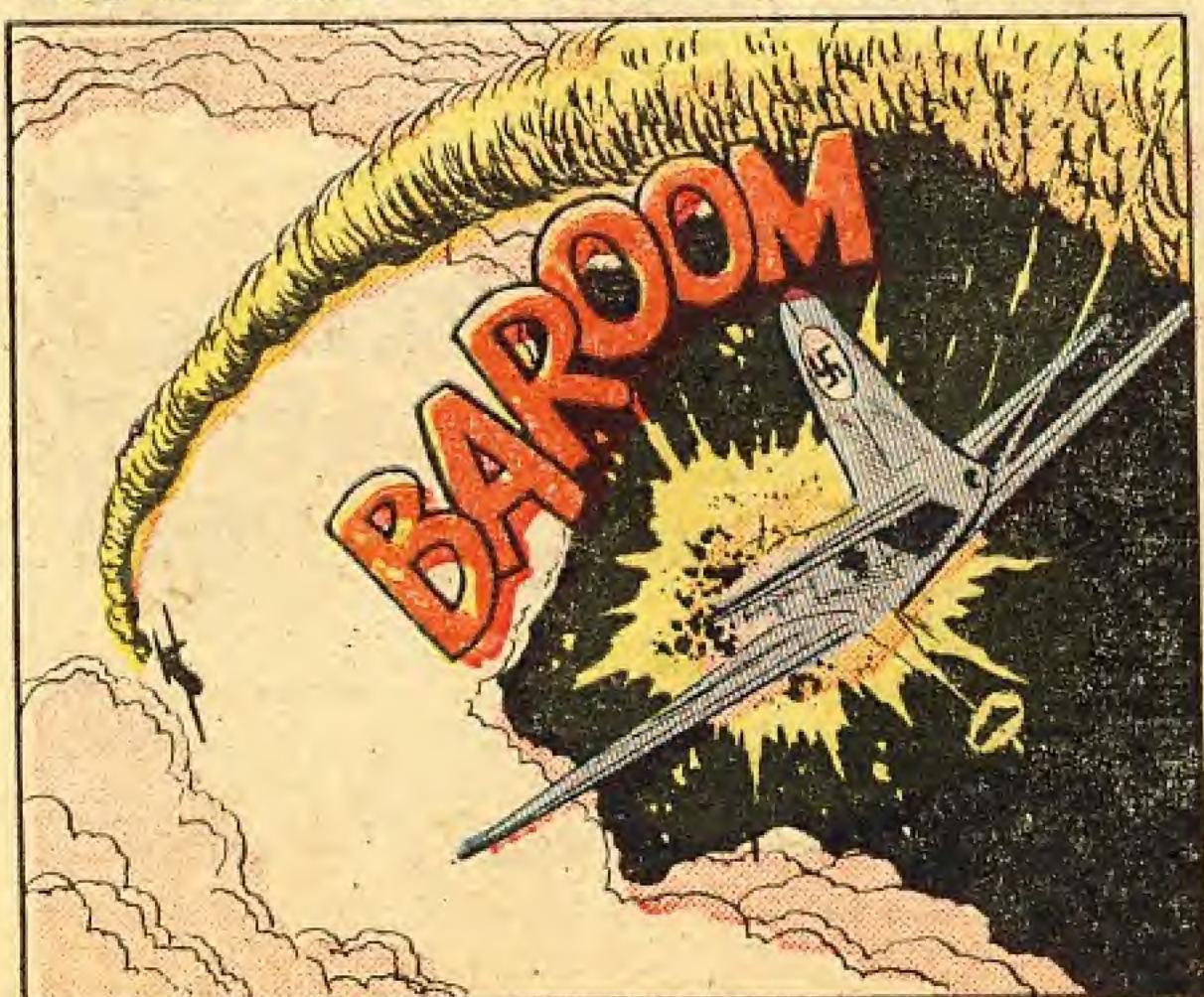
BUT THE JERRY'S DIDN'T STOP THERE... THEY
PEELED OFF AND TRIED STRAFING THE DINGYS!



BUT OUR SIDE WASN'T THROUGH EITHER... AT LEAST THE TWIN FIFTIES IN THE TOP TURRET WEREN'T!



AND THERE COULD BE NO DOUBT THIS TIME! ONLY ONE GUY COULD HAVE DONE IT... CHATTERBOX!



AND THAT WAS THE END OF JOHNNY "CHATTERBOX"
SMITH, AMERICAN FIGHTING MAN! HE DIDN'T HAVE
MUCH TO SAY, AND WHO LET HIS MACHINE GUNS DO THE TALKING FOR HIM!
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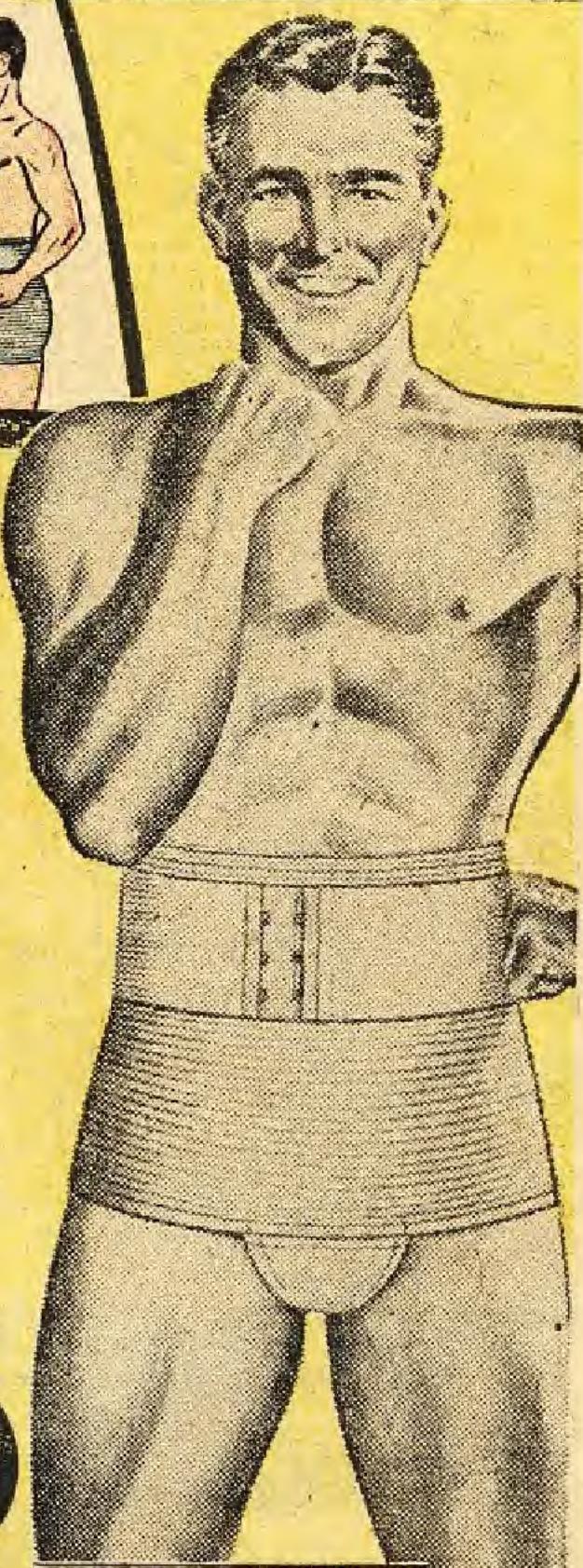
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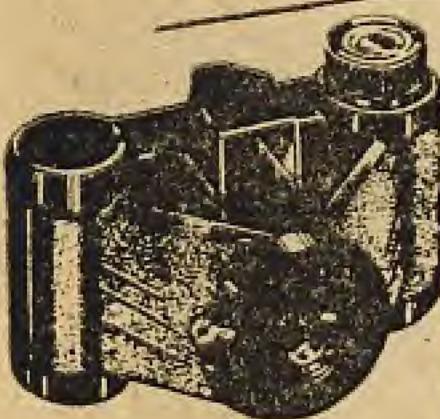
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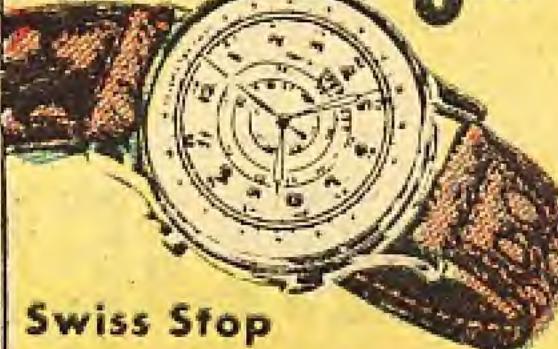
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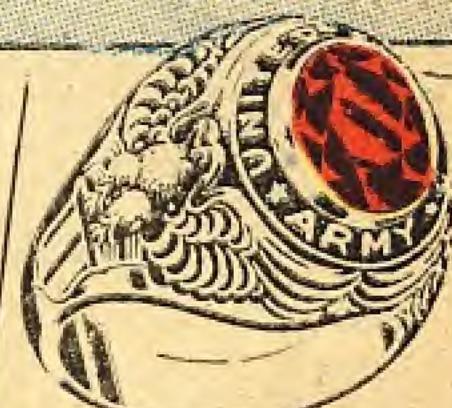
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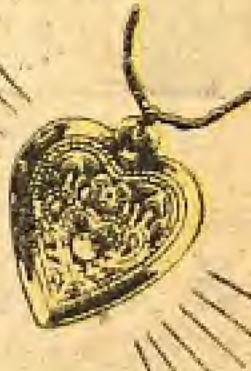
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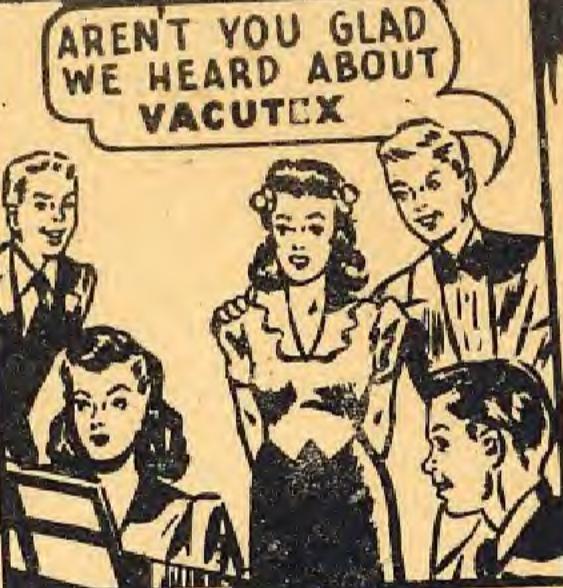


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